

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A flashlight including:
a housing having at least one aperture therethrough;
a light source within the housing;
a power source within the housing, wherein the housing includes a side with a tapered slot that is received by a base charging unit when the flashlight is inserted into the base unit to charge the power source;
electrical switch means associated with the housing for forming an electrical circuit between the light source and the power source, said electrical switch means cooperating with said aperture to allow a user to actuate said switch means between a circuit open and circuit closed condition;
a resilient cover extending over the electrical switch means and providing a waterproof seal for the housing preventing ingress of water through said aperture; and
at least one indicator means being visible through said cover at least when said indicator means is illuminated, wherein said indicator means is configured to illuminate when said switch means is in said circuit open condition and said flashlight receives power only from said power source.
2. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator means continuously flashes using power from the power source so long as the power source provides suitable power to illuminate the indicator means.
3. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator means includes a light source for indicating a status of the power source.

4. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 3, wherein said at least one indicator means includes a light source for indicating a recharging status of the power source.
5. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 3, wherein said at least one indicator means includes a light source for indicating a discharging status of the power source.
6. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said aperture is provided in a recess in said housing.
7. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 6, wherein said cover cooperates with a rim of said recess to provide a waterproof seal.
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim [[8]] 1, wherein said switch is actuated by a switch actuator which passes through said aperture, to enable a user to push said actuator to actuate said switch.
10. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator means includes at least one LED.
11. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator means passes through said housing.
12. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, including at least a pair of indicator means, wherein each of the indicator means indicates a different state of the flashlight.

13. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, including three indicator means, wherein a first indicator means illuminates when the power source is recharging, a second indicator means illuminates when the power source is fully charged, and a third indicator means continuously intermittently blinks when power is available from the power source.

14. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claim in claim 1, wherein the or each indicator means is disposed under the resilient cover.

15. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least part of the resilient cover is translucent.

16. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least part of the resilient cover is transparent.

17. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cover is of an elastomeric or polymeric material.

18. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cover includes silicon.

19. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein the power source includes a rechargeable battery.

20. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 19, wherein said flashlight includes connection means for connecting said rechargeable battery to an external power supply to recharge the battery.

21. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 20, wherein said flashlight includes a recharging circuit, to which said indicator means is electrically connected.

22. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said indicator means is visible through said cover, when said indicator means is or is not indicating a status of said power source.

23. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said flashlight is a waterproof flashlight.

24-30. (Cancelled)

31. (Previously presented) A waterproof flashlight including:

a flashlight housing defining an electrical contact aperture opening therethrough;
a flashlight electrical contact for electrical connection of the flashlight to a power source external to the flashlight, the flashlight electrical contact extending from inside the housing through the aperture and being disposed partly outside the flashlight housing and including a flange located outside of the housing that provides a shoulder adjacent the housing;

resilient sealing means sandwiched between the shoulder and the flashlight housing to establish a water tight seal between the shoulder and the housing; and

contact connection means for connecting the flashlight electrical contact to the flashlight housing, the contact connection means extending from the flashlight electrical contact through the contact aperture and including securement means securing the contact connection means in relation to the flashlight housing such that the shoulder maintains the sealing means under compression.

32. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the resilient sealing means is an elastomeric washer.

33. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the contact connection means includes a shaft portion extending from the flashlight electrical contact.

34. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the securement means is disposed within the flashlight housing and is constituted by a deformable portion of the contact connection means, configured to be rolled downwards to press against the inside of the housing, urging the shoulder towards the housing, which generates the compression so as to lock the contact connection means and hence the flashlight electrical contact, in place relative to the flashlight.

35. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31 including a washer disposed between the deformable portion and an inner wall of the flashlight housing.

36. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the flashlight electrical contact and the contact connection means are a unitary component.

37. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 36, wherein the unitary component is in the form of a rivet.

38. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the shoulder is defined by a flange.

39. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the flashlight housing defines a recess having a recess floor, the flashlight electrical contact being disposed within the recess and projecting from the contact aperture and outwardly from the recess floor.